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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS**  
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Please amend claims 1, 14 and 21 as follows:

1. (First Amended) An electric motor, comprising:

a plurality of stator sections, each stator section including an outer housing,  
wherein the plurality of stator sections are mechanically and electrically  
coupleable to form a stator of a desired length; and

a rotor disposed within the plurality of stator sections for rotation therein.

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14. (First Amended) A submersible pumping system, comprising:

a submersible electric motor, including:

a plurality of modular motor sections, each motor section includes a stator section and a housing section, wherein the modular motor sections are mechanically and electrically coupleable to form a motor of a desired length;

a rotor disposed within the plurality of modular motor sections for rotation therein; and

a submersible pump, drivingly coupled to the rotor of the submersible electric motor.

21. (First Amended) An electric motor for a submergible pumping system, comprising:

a plurality of stator sections adapted to form a stator of a desired length, wherein each of the plurality of stator sections comprises a mechanical and electrical coupling to permit selective attachment to an adjacent stator section ; and

a rotor disposed within the plurality of stator sections for rotation therein.

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